

EXHIBIT A

Hearing Date: 9/28/2021 9:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Courtroom Number: 1102

Location: District 1 Court
Cook County, IL

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Summons		

(12/01/20) CCM 0649 A

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

1st MUNICIPAL DISTRICT, CIVIL DIVISION

Name All Parties	Plaintiff(s)	Case No. 20211116772
Joyce Mitchem	v.	Amount Claimed \$ 30,000.00
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company	Defendant(s)	Appearance Filing/Return Date 09/28/21
200 Park Ave., New York, New York 10166	Address of Defendants	Status Date: _____
		Trial Date: _____
		Time 9:30 <input checked="" type="radio"/> AM <input type="radio"/> PM
		Room: 1102

Please serve as follows: Certified Mail Sheriff Service Alias (Plaintiff select one)

SUMMONS

To each Defendant:

YOU ARE SUMMONED and required:

1. To file your written appearance by yourself or your attorney and pay the required fee. To file your appearance you need access to the internet and a credit card for payment. Please visit www.cookcountyclerkofcourt.org to initiate this process. Kiosks with internet access are available at all Clerk's Office locations. Please refer to the last page of this document for location information.
2. File your answer to the complaint before 9:00 am as required by the applicable subsections of Paragraph 3 or 4 in the NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT on page 3 of this form.

IF YOU FAIL TO DO SO, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT, A COPY OF WHICH IS HERETO ATTACHED.

E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>, or talk with your local circuit clerk's office.

Iris Y. Martinez, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois

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To the officer:

This summons must be returned by the officer or other person to whom it was given for service, with endorsement of service and fees, if any, immediately after service, and not less than three (3) days before the day for appearance. If service cannot be made, this summons shall be returned so endorsed.

This summons may not be served later than three (3) days before the day for appearance.

THERE WILL BE A FEE TO FILE YOUR APPEARANCE.

8/9/2021 12:53 PM IRIS Y. MARTINEZ

Atty. No: 63279
 Pro Se 99500

Witness: _____

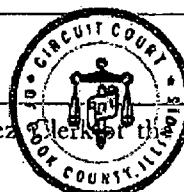
Name: Deutschman & Skafish P.C.,

Iris Y. Martinez, Clerk of the Court

Atty. for (if applicable):

Plaintiff _____

Date of Service: _____

Address: 77 West Washington Street, Ste 1525(To be inserted by officer on
copy left with Defendant or
other person)City: ChicagoState: IL Zip: 60602Telephone: 312.419.1600Primary Email: jeff@deutschmanlaw.com

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Any person wishing to sue or defend a case as an indigent must petition the court to have the fees, costs, and charges associated with the proceedings waived.

Customers may visit www.cookcountyclerkofcourt.org to access the Clerk's filing fees or telephone the Civil Division at (312) 603-5116 with additional questions.

NOTICE TO PLAINTIFF

You MUST select a return day of:

Not less than 14 or more than 40 days after issuance of summons if amount claimed is \$10,000 or less;

Not less than 21 or more than 40 days after issuance of summons if amount claimed is in excess of \$10,000.

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT

1. If the complaint is notarized, your answer must be notarized.

For District 1 Cases Only:

2. On the specified Return Day, one of the following may occur:
 - a. If you are sued for \$10,000 or less, you need not file an answer unless ordered to do so by the Court.
 - i. If Plaintiff is not present, the case may be dismissed for want of prosecution.
 - ii. If you have not filed an appearance, or you have filed an appearance and are not present, the Plaintiff may obtain an ex parte default judgment against you for the amount claimed.
 - iii. If you have filed an appearance and are present on Return Day, trial may be held that day, or may be set for another day certain.
 - b. If you are sued for more than \$10,000.00, and if you have filed your appearance on time, you must file your answer no later than 10 days after the appearance date (return date) specified on page 1 of this form. If you have not filed your appearance or answer on time, the Plaintiff may obtain an ex parte default judgment against you for the amount claimed. If Plaintiff is not present for the Default call, the case may be dismissed for want of prosecution. If you filed your appearance and have not filed your answer on time the Plaintiff may motion the court to enter a judgment.
3. Late filing of an appearance or answer will not relieve you from a judgment or default order except by court order.

For District 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 Cases:

4. If you are sued for more than \$10,000, you have 10 days from the Return Day to answer or otherwise plea.
5. On the specified Return Day, if you are sued for \$10,000 or less, you need not file an answer unless ordered to do so by the Court.
6. On the specified Status/Trial Day, one of the following may occur:
 - a. If Plaintiff is not present, the case may be dismissed for want of prosecution.
 - b. If you have not filed an appearance, or you have filed an appearance and are not present, the Plaintiff may obtain an ex parte default judgment against you for the amount claimed.
 - c. If you have filed an appearance and are present on Status/Trial Day, trial may be held that day, or may be set for another day certain.

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CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY OFFICE LOCATIONS

- Richard J Daley Center
50 W Washington
Chicago, IL 60602
- District 2 - Skokie
5600 Old Orchard Rd
Skokie, IL 60077
- District 3 - Rolling Meadows
2121 Euclid
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008
- District 4 - Maywood
1500 Maybrook Ave
Maywood, IL 60153
- District 5 - Bridgeview
10220 S 76th Ave
Bridgeview, IL 60455
- District 6 - Markham
16501 S Kedzie Pkwy
Markham, IL 60428
- Domestic Violence Court
555 W Harrison
Chicago, IL 60607
- Juvenile Center Building
2245 W Ogden Ave, Rm 13
Chicago, IL 60602
- Criminal Court Building
2650 S California Ave, Rm 526
Chicago, IL 60608
- Domestic Relations Division
Richard J Daley Center
50 W Washington, Rm 802
Chicago, IL 60602
Hours: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- Civil Appeals
Richard J Daley Center
50 W Washington, Rm 801
Chicago, IL 60602
Hours: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- Criminal Department
Richard J Daley Center
50 W Washington, Rm 1006
Chicago, IL 60602
Hours: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- County Division
Richard J Daley Center
50 W Washington, Rm 1202
Chicago, IL 60602
Hours: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- Probate Division
Richard J Daley Center
50 W Washington, Rm 1202
Chicago, IL 60602
Hours: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- Law Division
Richard J Daley Center
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Chicago, IL 60602
Hours: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- Traffic Division
Richard J Daley Center
50 W Washington, Lower Level
Chicago, IL 60602
Hours: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Daley Center Divisions/Departments

- Civil Division
Richard J Daley Center
50 W Washington, Rm 601
Chicago, IL 60602
Hours: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- Chancery Division
Richard J Daley Center
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